



Charity number 1153666

We help stray and feral cats/ kittens in the Fakenham area by obtaining Veterinary treatment where needed including neutering, before returning/finding them, suitable homes or placements.

C.A.T.S. NEWSLETTER

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CATS' CORNER UPDATE

We had a surge of successful rehommings in December which really lifted the spirits.



Teeny

Tina (now Teeny) who was with us far longer than we'd hoped, was finally adopted and has grown into a lovely young lady.

Guy (now Bandit) who came to Doreen with ringworm and had to suffer weeks in isolation is now happily living in a cat filled house.



Bandit



Enid & Eric were brother and sister but were homed separately.

Eric was a scared little boy but his new owner was clearly taken by his lion-like mane.

They both posed so perfectly in the pens for us. A one off shot we were so glad to catch.

UPDATE FROM THE PENS

As we write we are doing a bit of head scratching with Millie pictured right. She's a proper hissy-spitty feral we took in early March. She gave all the signs of being pregnant but we still haven't seen any signs of kittens. We just need to take advice from the vets as to where we go from here.



We've also been doing repair works on the pens and we were kindly donated some really high-quality acrylic sheeting from Henderson Plastics in Wood Norton, which they also cut to the perfect size. We are so grateful for their help. This replaces some old, thin, yellowing sheets that were put up to stop the wind from howling through the pens. We've managed to cover both sides but just need to fund some more for the front ourselves now.

THANK YOU

This December we started a relationship with Tesco in Fakenham and have now got a huge collection basket for food donations. Our first collection was amazing and we are so grateful to Tesco, Morrisons and GJL Animal Feeds for letting us have these baskets in their stores. We don't just take food that is bought in the stores so if your little bundle of fluff has gone off a certain brand of food and it's taking up room in your cupboards, we are happy to take that as well.



We held our **Christmas Fayre** at Hempton Memorial Hall again in 2024 which raised £2,146. A satisfying amount but a lot of hard work! Thank you to everyone that helped on the day and gave and made us things to sell.





We also took part in **Fakenham Parish Church Christmas Tree Festival** once again which raised £540 and a tin shake at Tesco at Christmas which raised £229.77.



The Grove Vets kindly had a collection box for toys and food donations in their porch for us and RSPCA West Norfolk

DATES TO NOTE IN 2025

We'll be having tables at the following events at Hempton Memorial Hall

27th April
Table Top 9am-12pm

25th August
Car Boot Sale 8 -1pm

24th May
Craft Destash 10am-1pm

4th October
Craft Destash 10am-1pm

26th July
Craft Destash 10am-1pm

19th October
Table Top 9-12pm

C.A.T.S. Xmas Fayre: Hempton Memorial Hall 8th November
10am – 2pm

HOW YOU CAN HELP US

We appreciate that not everyone can be hands on with helping stray cats and kittens but that doesn't mean you can't help.

Easyfundraising is a website that enables you to make donations to us every time you shop with over 7,000 big name retailers. We raised £651.69 in 2024. To sign up please go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cats1/>



We have an **Amazon Wishlist** which is ideal if you can't get to our collection baskets but want to donate food and toys to us. Use your phone to scan the QR code that will take you straight to our list.

We are always grateful to those that hold events on behalf of us but if you want to help man a table at one of our events or help fill a one-hour slot at a tin shake or at the Christmas tree festival we would always appreciate it. If you are a crafter or baker then these items are always very welcome.

The Movement for Good Awards are an annual programme run by the Benefact group that gives funds to charities. Every vote for us is an entry into a draw to win £1000. Please give us your vote at www.movementforgood.com. Our charity number is 1153666.

Are you handy with a paint brush? We will be painting our pens and storage shed again this year. A slow and painful job but many hands make light work. If you would like to help, even for just a few hours please contact our volunteer Alex by email at info@catchandtreatstrays.com.

We are signed up to a number of recycling schemes run by **Terracycle**. We collect washed cheese pouches, Ferra Rocher boxes and also packaging from any McVitie's product. Please save yours and leave in one of our shop collection baskets listed in the 'Thank you' section.

POWER IN NUMBERS

Catch And Treat Strays has its own website kindly funded and maintained by one of our volunteers but we also have a new presence on social media.



Our new **Facebook**, **Instagram** and **NextDoor** pages gives all the latest information regarding what the charity is up to. We share details of events that are happening, cats that need rehoming and good news stories of cats that have found their forever home. These new pages were only set up at the end of last year so please do follow our pages and like our posts.



Our successful adoptions at the end of last year were really helped by the use of social media and the power of followers and post sharing.

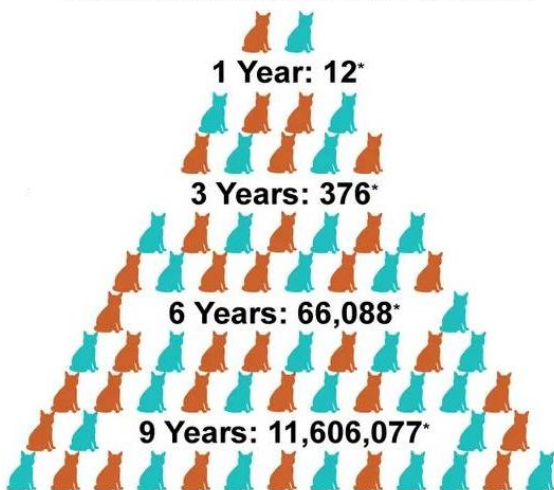


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**1 UNSPAID FEMALE AND
1 UNNEUTERED MALE CAN PRODUCE:**



In the same way that one social media post share can spread to thousands of people, look how quickly cats can make beautiful little kittens. However, all these kittens need homes to live a long and healthy life so please get your cat neutered for everyone's sake.

LOSING YOUR CAT AND MICRO-CHIPPING

It was a legal requirement to micro-chip your cat by 10 June 2024. Failure to do so incurs a fine of £500 however kittens up to 20 weeks are exempt.

Please do keep your microchip details updated when you move and remember to get your vet to check that the chip is still working when you next take your cat to them.

If you ever lose your cat, we will always happily share that they are missing on our social media pages. Maybe its time to take another picture of your cat in case they go missing. You can never have too many cat pictures on your camera roll!



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Thank you for your kind support

MONETARY DONATIONS

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